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TO : Chief, KR

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FROM : Chief of Base, Frankfurt

INFO: OCB

SUBJECT: GENERAL— Operational/CAIL

SPECIFIC— CAMDOOR - Contact Report

References: A. FROB-5030
B. DUFA-14404
C. DUFA-14223

1. Undersigned met with [redacted] on 16 January 1957 at 1800 in the Frankfurter Hof, had dinner in a Chinese restaurant and, at 1900, proceeded to a cafe apartment on Kalle Strasse. Case officer took agent to the vicinity of his car at 0200 hours.

2. While this contact report will be unorganized, since I am putting down information/discussions as they occurred, I believe that this might partially convey [redacted] character, which appears to be somewhat erratic, occasionally evasive, jumping from point to point, from subject to subject. Herewith a verbatim transcript of notes of the meeting:

(a) Two gentlemen from the Deutsche Treuhandgesellschaft (see Ref. A) have been in my [redacted] house for the last two days. They are most thorough - not only checked all my licenses, franchises, but asked for a copy of the Federal "U.S.A." regulations to check out certain details. I, [redacted] have given them free access to my books, have furnished them with everything I can get a hand on. One of the men told me that they just received another rocket from Frankfurt, asking them to hurry up. (Note: The Mission legal advisor, calling the U.S. cleared contact, Identity 1, was informed by letter that the auditors report [redacted] is stalling, is not showing all and that the audit has been delayed awaiting detailed material. Two different tales, although we can see little reason why the auditors, having no personal stake in this, should try to tell an untrue story, and rather that [redacted] is up to his usual tactics.) The auditors have carried on the work in [redacted] apartment, since latter does not want to give the impression at the airport that he is being checked by the "Finanzamt". They are, according to [redacted] completely omitting as to the true purpose of their work. Many reportedly believe that a buyer is definitely interested in his business. [redacted] states, incidentally, that with all the records, deeds, licenses, franchises, at their command, the auditors will not arrive at a figure which will differ appreciably from the breakdown which he gave [redacted] signed recently and which was transmitted in Ref. A. I told [redacted] that we received indications that the audit was not progressing

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satisfactorily, mainly because he was not making all the files available to the auditors. Also told him that he had nothing to gain by such tactics since it would make the enterprise practically useless in our eyes, and rather than give us an opportunity to start off on a new slate, would certainly not aid our future relationship. [redacted] assured us most emphatically that he is giving the auditors all the assistance he possibly can, that he gets along famously with them and that the alleged report about his behavior can not be true. The complete report by the auditors at the end of their task, should give us the true picture about [redacted] behavior.

(b) Identity 2 (see Ref. A), who was not aware that [redacted] letter was answered so promptly by Identity 3, called him recently and informed that [redacted] received a letter posthaste assured him that his recall should, consequently, happen within a few days. Identity 2 also assured [redacted] there was really nothing derogatory in his file, with the exception of points of Ref. A, which is really inconsequential, according to Identity 2.

(c) [redacted] just won a legal suit against a pilot who had refused to fly when ordered and was discharged. The pilot asked for DM 1044.50 - was awarded DM 544.00 for outstanding salary, which [redacted] offered to pay. Lawyer fees on this enterprise are DM 121.00.

(d) He recently, and unexpectedly, received DM 1100.00 for a job performed for Mannesmann in the fall. Disposed of above as follows:

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| (1) Rent debt | - | DM 200.00 (part payment) |
| (2) Life insurance | - | 300.00 |
| (3) School tuition for children | - | 80.00 |
| (4) Old debt in Munich | - | 300.00 |

and additional small debts ranging from DM 30.00 to DM 90.00, including new tires for car, total amounted to DM 1000.00. Remaining DM 100.00 for living expenses.

(e) His big debts, at present, are:

(1) Identity 4: Owes DM 7000 - gave them nothing this month.
(2) Identity 5: Stopped payment there and still owes DM 8000. He assured undersigned, for whatever it is worth, that he has no outstanding private debts to social acquaintances.

(f) [redacted] minimum monthly expenses, without his business debts:

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| (1) Rent for apartment | - | DM 250.- |
| (2) Support for himself, wife, 4 children | - | 600.- |
| (3) Miscellaneous | - | 250.- |
| (4) Office rent | - | 140.- |

(g) Received a contract recently to fly advertising over expositions for Identity 6. Has the contract in writing, it stipulates at least 70 flying hours - 14,000 DM. One hour in the air costs him DM 52 - the contract pays him DM 200 per hour. Flying to start in February.

(h) Here comes the obvious: Re Ref. A, has the airplane frame, no engine. A Dutch firm will deliver an engine, at the cost of DM 3600 cash. (Note: Case officer made no commitments whatever on this, assured him we realised his predicament but could not do anything, at this time, after recent experiences with him, especially since we wanted to receive the results of the audit before any future steps are discussed.

(i) Informed [redacted] since his recall seems so imminent, he would have to "jobber" this contract at any rate, since he stated he expects to be called back, at the latest, on 1 February. He agreed and said a friend will fly the contract.

(j) Requests, if possible, a moratorium of his loan payment to KUBARK, i.e., DM 500, and receive full salary DM 1000 for at least 3-4 months beginning 1 February, since he is allegedly completely dependent on this support.

(k) If Sikorsky had been smart, he would have entered into partnership with Henschel/Kassel on helicopters. Henschel is in bad shape, even their production of locomotives has dropped off considerably and they had to dismiss over 1100 people. Appears now Piasecki is going to make it in Germany on the helicopter sector.

(l) Locomotives produced by Henschel quite "logically" led to a discussion on the relative merits of Marklin/Fleischmann OO gauge trains.

(m) Hans Ulrich Rudel, a pastor's son from Upper Silesia, a phony and an idiotic, dangerous schemer. Drives a car with Swiss license plates and a CD tag. His cover address in Switzerland is Zurich, Bahnhof-strasse 66. I [redacted] can not imagine where he gets the money for twenty to thirty trans-atlantic flights per year. He is in Germany every three to four months, appears to have excellent connections to the Ministers of Trade in Paraguay and Brasil (his present domicile, since he was evicted from Argentina after Peron's downfall). He does not represent one firm on a steady basis, nevertheless, drives a big Mercedes-Benz, always proceeds from Switzerland through Germany (there he has a hard core of zealous types, which are requested to recruit one man each and vouch for their loyalty - Rudel enters a meeting with them giving the Hitler salute-) and still appears to have much money. I [redacted] suspect he gets his funds from the Ehlers Verlag, late Nazi publishing house which also prints Rudel's books and sends illegal stuff into Germany occasionally. Rumor has it that Ehlers Verlag people, in the last weeks of the war, took off for Spain in an old Junkers airplane (loaded with

gold, currency and jewelry) and went from Spain to Argentina. Rudel, in [redacted] opinion, has no right to speak on Germany or attack Adenauer since he was neither in Germany in the "hard years" nor is qualified to speak about the German problem.

(n) Adolf Galland is a similar type. He is deeply hurt that Kammhuber and Panitzki are active again. But while Rudel is a zealot on the political sector, Galland has never grown up and primarily chases after women. While Rudel also carries on, presently with a PAA stewardess in Buenos Aires, Galland does it right here in Germany, and for that reason he is completely unqualified for the new German Air Force. Galland was also expected to attend the funeral service of the first casualty of the new German Air Force (see Ref. C). (Note: In strictest confidence, the man went down stunting over a friend's house. All the fliers who know about it in Landsberg do not even allude to it, since if the Defense Ministry heard about the true facts, his widow would not get any pension.) Galland did not appear at the funeral (since he was obviously afraid Kammhuber and Panitzki would be there too, in full uniform. His wife, however, was there.)

(o) This reminds me [redacted] Had just landed after flying a beat-up Klemm plane, face full of oil, dirty and tired. When I got to my office, Rudel was there (on 14 or 15 August 1956). He said: "What are you flying this old crate for. Come with me to Brazil and we will fix you up." [redacted] allegedly replied: "I am also politically 'right' - but not in the same bunch as you people, i.e., as you who took off when the going was rough and are unreconstructed Nazis." Rudel allegedly asked: "Do you still support Adenauer", and [redacted] reiterated alleged previous remarks to Rudel, i.e.: Adenauer is the man who got us out of the jam we were in. Rudel called Adenauer a "traitor". Later, Hauptmann a.D. Buch, son of a former big Nazi lawyer, called on me [redacted] to introduce himself as Rudel's right-hand man and to convey Rudel's greetings, despite the altercation we had at the airport. Also, Rudel had a girl friend, a (Frau) (fnu) Lucht, in Duesseldorf. She is Belgian by birth, was close to Leon Degrelle and is the only fascist I [redacted] know who really must be idealistically motivated, since she is very affluent and has always financially supported ultra-right causes, even at a time like this. She is mad at Rudel right now since it was she who took a "dive" in the Naumann affair (Nau-Wen) and blames Rudel for making her the victim, saving his own skin. Today she publicly states that Rudel is impossible and should go back to his wife and children whom he abandoned. (Above information disseminated by EGF-1704).

3. Incidentally, the U.S. representative of the May Company (a former U.S. Army Signal Corps colonel), see Ref. C, is (from) Goodwill. Goodwill maintains there are only two outfits which matter in the U.S. Armed Forces, the U.S. Marines and the Signal Corps, and if you [redacted]

think that all the Signal Corps does is to string wires, you are very much mistaken. It even fires rockets and does jobs of a technical/communication nature.

4. There followed a discussion on German literature, related how he met his wife, reminisced about his youth.

5. For understandable reasons, we are most sceptical about the veracity of certain of his statements and especially wonder what he intends to gain by telling possible falsehoods about the conduct of the audit.

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Identities

Identity 1 - Lancaire

" 2 - [redacted]

" 3 - Frans-Jozef Strauss

" 4 - EMB Aviation Limited of Scotland, England

" 5 - Skyways

" 6 - Constructa washing machine firm

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